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1. BRITISH HAVE GIVEN US, FRG AND FRENCH DELS (WITH REQUEST
IT BE CLOSELY HELD) THEIR SUGGESTION FOR A NEW TEXT FOR
PARAS 2 AND 3 OF THE INTRODUCTORY TEXT ON HUMAN CONTACTS.
UNDER NEW UK APPROACH, FIRST FOUR PARAS OF HUMAN CONTACTS
INTRODUCTION, AS THEY APPEAR IN SWISS COMPROMISE VERSION
(PARA 2, REFTEL A) WOULD BE REDUCED TO FOLLOWING THREE PARAS:
BEGIN TEXT:

--CONSIDERING THE DEVELOPMENT OF CONTACTS TO BE AN
IMPORTANT ELEMENT IN THE STRENGTHENING OF FRIENDLY RELATIONS
AND TRUST AMONG PEOPLES,

--REAFFIRMING, IN RELATION TO THEIR EXISTING PRACTICES IN
THIS AREA, THE IMPORTANCE THEY ATTACH TO HUMANITARIAN
CONSIDERATIONS,

--GUIDED IN THIS SPIRIT BY THE DESIRE TO APPLY THEIR
EFFORTS, AS DETENTE DEVELOPS, WITH THE AIM OF ENSURING
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A FURTHER AND CONTINUING IMPROVEMENT IN THIS FIELD,

END TEXT.

2. WE BELIEVE THIS FORMULATION WOULD BE MORE PALATABLE TO THE FRG THAN THE SOVIET PROPOSAL (PARA 3, REFTEL A) BECAUSE OF ITS REFERENCE TO "FURTHER AND CONTINUING IMPROVEMENT." WE ALSO CONSIDER THE UK DRAFT TO BE BETTER THAN THE SOVIET WORDING IN THAT IT ACKNOWLEDGES HUMANITARIAN CONSIDERATIONS AS THE "SPIRIT" GUIDING EFFORTS TOWARD IMPROVEMENT, RETAINING THE THOUGHT OF THE SWISS INITIATIVE. UK TEXT MIGHT BE IMPROVED BY PLACING "IN THIS SPIRIT" AFTER "EFFORTS" SO THAT THIS UK PARA WOULD READ: "GUIDED BY THE DESIRE TO APPLY THEIR EFFORTS IN THIS SPIRIT, AS DETENTE DEVELOPS, WITH THE AIM OF ENSURING A FURTHER AND CONTINUING IMPROVEMENT IN THIS FIELD".

3. THE LINKAGE QUESTION IS MORE COMPLEX. WE BELIEVE THE SWISS, UK AND SOVIET PROPOSALS ALL ADEQUATELY CONFIRM THAT HUMANITARIAN CONSIDERATIONS CONSTITUTE AN INDEPENDENT FACTOR ADVANCING DETENTE, AND NOT MERELY THE REVERSE (REFTEL D), ALTHOUGH FOR REASONS OF PROMINENCE WE CONTINUE TO PREFER THE SWISS TEXT'S PLACEMENT OF THE "HUMANITARIAN ASPECTS" PARAGRAPH. HOWEVER, IN OUR OPINION THE UK TEXT, WHILE PREFERABLE TO THE SOVIET, IS INFERIOR TO THE SWISS IN THAT THE BRITISH DRAFT ARGUABLY MAKES THE OBLIGATION TO SEEK IMPROVEMENT CONTINGENT ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF DETENTE. THIS IMPLICATION IS MUCH WEAKER IN THE SWISS TEXT, WHICH SETS FORTH THE DESIRE "TO IMPROVE" IN THE PARAGRAPH PRECEDING THE MENTION OF DETENTE.

4. OUR INCLINATION WOULD BE TO CONTINUE TO EXPRESS A PREFERENCE FOR THE SWISS WORDING PER REFTEL B INSTRUCTIONS, AWAIT FRG REACTION TO UK INITIATIVE, AND PLUMB THE VIEWS OF THE FIFTEEN WHEN THIS INITIATIVE IS MADE KNOWN TO THE NATO CAUCUS. WE WOULD AT APPROPRIATE MOMENT SUGGEST THE SLIGHT AMENDMENT OF UK TEXT MENTIONED ABOVE, WITH THE IDEA THAT UK TEXT COULD EVENTUALLY CONSTITUTE OUR FALLBACK POSITION IF SWISS WORDING IS FINALLY REJECTED BY SOVIETS. WE WOULD REQUEST FURTHER CONFIDENTIAL

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INSTRUCTION BEFORE CONSENTING TO PRESENTATION TO THE SOVIETS OF A TEXT BASED ON THE UK PROPOSAL. REQUEST GUIDANCE.DALE

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